



Joker's Corner

THE UNWELCOME GUEST.

A popular revivalist had been holding services at a town in Mississippi when a heavy rain came on and he accepted an invitation to pass the night at the house of one of the townsmen.

The good man had made the change and was on his way back to the sitting room when the woman of the house came out of another room.

NO LUXURIES FOR HIM.

"Yes, look at me," cried the orator as he waxed eloquent. "Sixty years of age—never had a day's illness, and can do my four miles an hour."

THE ONLY THING.

Mrs. Kate Douglas Wiggin once heard a New England wife express views on the suffrage question. The woman had a laborious life on a farm, and had lost her romantic notions.

THE MAN WHO WAITS.

(Yonkers Statesman): Church: "What is an optimist?" Gotham: "A man who believes everything comes to him who waits."

GROWN PROSPEROUS SINCE

(Chicago Record-Herald): "When we went to housekeeping," she sadly complained, "you were glad to wipe the dishes for me."

SUES "BEAUTY DOCTOR"

Paris Woman Sues Her Good Looks Are Spoiled and She Wants Five Thousand Dollars.

Paris, Jan. 6.—A beauty doctor who undertook to provide new skins for old is defendant in a suit for five thousand dollars damages brought by a lady who alleges that he has spoiled her good looks for life.

It is alleged that the beauty doctor undertook to remove all wrinkles and restore the perfect skin of youth by a special treatment. The charge for a new face was five hundred dollars and for "le complet," one thousand dollars.

THE WIZARD EDISON INVENTS NEW MOTOR.

Chicago, Jan. 6.—Thomas A. Edison inventor in Chicago for the first time since the world's fair in 1893, told members of the Electric Club last night that electrification of railroads would not be practicable for several years, and for casual announcement of a new type of electric motor he has invented.

PURIFIED HIS BLOOD

Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills Healed Mr. Wilson's Sores

When the sewers of the body—bowels, kidneys and skin ducts—get clogged up, the blood quickly becomes impure and frequently sores break out over the body.

"For some time I had been in a low, depressed condition. My appetite left me and I soon began to suffer from indigestion. Quite a number of small sores and blotches formed all over my skin.

At last Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills were brought to my notice, and they are one of the most wonderful medicines I have ever known.

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A bald-headed person does not have an equal chance with one blessed with a healthy head of hair, because baldness is too generally accepted as an indication of age.

Probably sixty-five per cent of bald-headed people may regain a good head of healthy hair if they will follow our advice and accept our offer.

We have a remedy that we positively guarantee to grow hair on any head, unless the roots of the hair are entirely dead.

We know exactly what we are talking about, and with this offer back of our statements no one should doubt our word, or hesitate to put our remedy to an actual test.

We want everyone in Bridgetown who is suffering from any scalp or hair trouble, dandruff, falling hair, or baldness to try our Rexall "93" Hair Tonic.

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The Pony Express of Olden Days

J. W. REGAN READ AN INTERESTING PAPER BEFORE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

There was a larger attendance than usual last night, says Saturday's Chronicle at the regular monthly meeting of the Nova Scotia Historical Society in the Legislative Council Chamber in the Province Building.

The paper was listened to with very close attention. It contained a great many particulars respecting this pony express, which was conducted by King Brothers, of St. John, with 12 horses and two riders.

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Hutchinson, Kan., despatch:—After an all-night search in a blinding snow-storm, amounting almost to a blizzard, W. D. Nifton found the body of his wife this morning buried in the snow near Fowler.

The mother evidently decided to try to reach home by walking across the fields, and, taking her son with her, deserted the horse and buggy.

When the wife did not return home at the usual time the husband became worried and set out to search for her. He visited the school first and found she had left there.

Soon he came upon the horse and buggy, the animal almost frozen. Guessing that his wife had found the road impassable and had abandoned the buggy to take a short cut across country, Nifton set out in the direction of his home in the hope of overtaking her.

But he arrived there without finding her and the boy, and after calling several neighbors to his aid, again resumed the search in the storm.

After being carried to his home and partially revived, the little boy was able to tell of the wanderings of his mother in the storm, which ended when she could drag herself no farther.

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You probably know all too well how it goes. Just as you doze off, the tickling starts in your throat. A gentle cough, and sleep. A harder cough, and then another. First thing you know, you're wide awake, coughing your head off.

A few nights of that and you're so worn out and weakened that the cough takes a tight grip on you.

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GREAT POSSIBILITIES

L. S. AMERY DISCUSSES HUDSON BAY ROUTE.

British Journalist and M.P. Says Direct Route to Great Britain for the Wheat Lies By Way of the Northern Inland Ocean and the Difficulties Are Small Compared With the Advantages To Be Reaped By Farmer.

The geographical advantages of the route are obvious to anyone who has once looked at a globe and realized that the Canadian Northwest is no further from England than Eastern Canada.

From Liverpool to Fort Churchill, on the western shore of Hudson Bay, is only 2,948 nautical miles more than the distance from Liverpool to Montreal by Cape Race, and 185 miles more than the distance to Montreal by Belle Isle Straits.

But the greater part of the prairie region is fully 1,000 miles nearer to Churchill than it is to Montreal. The route from Edmonton or Saskatoon via Winnipeg, Port Arthur and Montreal to England, which looks so direct on the ordinary flat map, really represents a detour of over 1,000 miles additional railway journey.

For very nearly a century Hudson Bay was the principal gateway to the Northwest, and it was the advantage in distance and facility of transportation over both Eastern Canada and the United States that enabled the Hudson Bay Co. first of all to absorb the Northwestern Co., whose base was Montreal, and secondly to establish an effective British occupation over a vast region which would otherwise inevitably have fallen into American hands.

Even before the cession of the company's territories to the Dominion in 1869 the westward extension of the American railways and the establishment of steamship services on the Great Lakes had, however, begun to present a detour of over 1,000 miles additional railway journey.

The political transfer hastened a process which was completed by the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The old route fell into complete disuse, and there was a long time no practical motive for re-opening it.

For many years the Canadian Pacific was more than sufficient to handle all the trade of the prairie region. When the new era of expansion began ten years ago the natural tendency was to improve and parallel the existing line of transportation rather than to open up an entirely new route involving heavy outlay and surrounded by many doubts and difficulties.

The extension of the Canadian Pacific, the building of the Canadian Northern and Grand Trunk Pacific, the improvement of navigation on the Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence, and the practical consideration of the great Georgian Bay Canal project, all followed the natural course of evolution and show how trade routes, once established, tend to perpetuate themselves.

Nevertheless, the expansion of the Northwest has taken place, and is taking place, at a rate which has continuously outrun the provision of transportation, and has acquired a magnitude which now justifies bold departures and big expenditures.

For years ago the West asserts, there has been a continuous grain blockade. It has been stated that not more than 20 per cent of the wheat crop can get shipped away from the West before Lake Superior freezes up, the rest having to wait till next spring.

Again, during the period of harvest the westward traffic is no little disorganized, and merchants complain that they have the greatest difficulty in replenishing their stores just when they are most anxious to do so to meet the farmers' autumn purchases.

The demand for a new outlet to tide water has become so strong in the west that no Government could have resisted it, that is certain. The question is: Will it be a really practical contribution to the problem? Will any large proportion of the exports and imports of the west really make use of it?

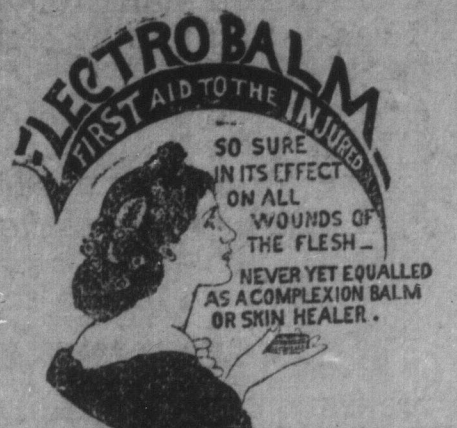
Nor does Hudson Bay itself offer any difficulties to navigation, except occasional vagaries of the compass, caused by the proximity of the Magnetic Pole. As far as navigation within its confines is concerned, it might be utilized for traffic for seven months in the year, or possibly even all the year round with the help of ice-breakers.

The real difficulty is not in the Bay, but in Hudson Straits, which get choked up with Arctic ice from Fox Channel and Davis Strait, and are not available for ordinary steamship traffic before the last ten days of July and after the first ten days or so of November.

Experience may enable this period to be prolonged by a few days at the beginning and a fortnight or more at the end, but broadly speaking the total period of navigation through the Straits is not likely to exceed four months.

During that period the dangers and difficulties of navigation are, it would seem, no greater than those of the St. Lawrence route. Icebergs may be somewhat more frequent, but fog is decidedly fewer, and it is the combination of the two that is the real danger.

The period is certainly short. But an Arctic port like Archangel has for centuries conducted a large trade with at least equally narrow limits of time.



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